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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Jaime Vargas, Tenny Chang and David Bombard for INCISION TENSIONING SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING THE SAME.

☐ Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

☒ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 4a for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

☒ 12 sheet(s) of ☐ formal ☒ informal drawing(s);

☐ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☐ hereby made to filed in on ;

☐ in the declaration;

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☒ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

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	No. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$710.00 (101)
Total Claims	53	MINUS 20 =	33	× \$18.00 (103) =	594.00
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 3 =	1	× \$80.00 (102) =	80.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$270.00 (104)					
Total Application Fee					1,384.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					-692.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$ if Assignment document is enclosed					
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$692.00

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